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Seal Catch Is Small

Number of Skins Taken the Past Season Is One of Lowest on Record.

Reports Received Show Seals Branded by Americans Are Dying Out.

Switzerland a Poor Customer of Canada — Gossip From Ottawa.

From Our Own Correspondent.

O TTAWA, Dec. 28.—According to reports which have reached the fisheries department, the sealing catch of the past season is one of the smallest on record. Allowing 1,000 skins as representing about the aggregate of the catches of Indians along the coast, the total returns for the year are 13,905 skins.

The reason of the decrease is due in a great measure to a smaller fleet operating. Twenty-six vessels set out in 1903, secured, at their "sherg" and 1902, the number of skins taken was 16,301; in 1901, 24,160 skins; in 1900, 35,548 skins, and in 1899, 35,471 skins.

The season just past on the British Columbia coast, in Behring Sea and on the Copper Islands, has been generally speaking stormy. Two of the largest of the fleet were lost; the Triumphant, with a full crew, having disappeared entirely early in the season, presumably in one of the heavy gales which swept the coast in March last, and the Penelope, having driven ashore on the rocks in Chatham Bay, when just starting out on her spring cruise. Apart from these regrettable incidents and the loss of a man from the Casco, the fleet escaped serious injuries.

The greatest luck of the year was that encountered in Behring Sea. Here navigators report seals were more plentiful than they have seen them for many years previously. But while seals were numerous, the weather was too favorable. Through the success of a number of the northern expeditions, the year, which began so forebodingly on the coast, has been turned to good account. There will be fewer skins on the market, in view of the partial abandonment of the Cape Horn and Falkland Island grounds, by sealers, and of the interference which the war has caused to the Japanese industry. Copper Island catches have been small and the most valuable for anywhere found is that which has been the most plentiful. Among the catches a smaller number of branded skins are seen this year than for many seasons, showing that those animals which had been tortured a number of years ago by the Americans simply for identification, are dying out.

Of all the countries which trade with Canada, Switzerland stands out conspicuously as the poorest buyer of our goods. A trade statement issued shows that this country purchased only sixty-three dollars' worth of goods from Canada in the three months ending October 1. The exports to Switzerland for the year before amounted to only twenty dollars, and nothing at all for these months in 1902. The sales were nil for September, and \$20 the previous September. Very different is the record of the sales by the Swiss to Canada. In July, August and September Canada imported \$447,773 worth from Switzerland and nearly as much during the corresponding period in 1903. Last September, when Canada sold nothing to Switzerland, she purchased \$187,778 worth of her produce.

From Fort Churchill, on the Hudson Bay, to Liverpool it is 1,000 miles shorter than from Quebec to Liverpool. From Regina to Fort William it is 843 miles. From Regina to Churchill is 800 miles. From Quebec to Liverpool by way of Quebec is 4,740 miles. The navigation of the Hudson Straits is perfectly safe and open from July 1 to November 1, a period of four months. The carrying on grain at 15 cents a bushel on the estimate of one-half cent a mile for a crop of sixty millions would mean a saving of \$9,000,000 to the farmers of the Canadian West. On these statements Commander A. P. Low, of the government steamer Neptune, made an investigation for the Canadian Club of Ottawa for the utilization of the Hudson Bay route to Great Britain. Mr. Low gave the list of distances to Liverpool and declared the navigability of Hudson Bay and Straits was quite feasible and made a plea for the establishment of a rail and steamship route in the interests of the West. He said that for a few years the insurance tax would be heavy until the safety of the route was established, but he had not a doubt but it would prove as feasible and as safe as the St. Lawrence route.

A friendly arrangement has been reached between the two parties on the subject of seating accommodation in the House of Commons.

Several Dominion officials will attend the American Forestry Congress at Washington next week.

Thirteen candidates for Huntington village council failed to make property declaration as required by law. The old council is therefore elected by acclamation and there are thirteen furious men in Huntington.

Goodwin today signed the contract for the National Victoria Museum.

CAN'T GET BAIL.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 28.—Police Magistrate Haarriet, in jail in connection with the bogus ballot boxes, has so far been unable to obtain the \$20,000 bail demanded.

Saint Alice Natural Mineral Water

Will Visit B. C.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Special—The announcement was made tonight that His Excellency Earl Grey and retinue will visit British Columbia next summer. The party will be a large one and some weeks will be spent in Victoria and Vancouver. They will go via the C. P. R.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Chetahill, Wn., Dec. 28.—Three men were killed instantly and two injured, one so badly that he died soon afterwards, by the explosion of four boilers at the sawmill plant of Walworth & Neville at Neville, Washington, today. Almost immediately after the mill started to operate there was a terrific explosion with the results stated. Those killed were R. C. Hicks, Frank Dowell, and Pres Epling. Roy Ickles, who was injured, died soon afterwards. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

A DEAL IN COAL.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 28.—The trustees whom George H. Earl, Jr., designated as the future trustees of the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company, met today and discussed and adopted the plan for a trusteeship. The plan called for the Anthracite coal property. The plan is for a voting trust and not merely a stock-holding trust. The five trustees will dictate the policy of the company in all matters. The trustees will hold power for five years, and during that time they will have the express privilege of selling the stock for not less than \$135 a share.

Great Northern Reorganization

Canadian Northern Co. to Secure Control of Road in Two Months.

Plans Outlined and New Lines Projected at Meeting in Quebec.

Quebec, Dec. 28.—The Canadian Northern railway interests, who control the Great Northern railway, have decided upon a plan of reorganization. A meeting of the Great Northern directors and shareholders took place in this city when the plan of reorganization was unfolded to the shareholders. Mr. D. B. Hanna, president of the company, presided over the meeting, and Mr. Lash, one of the directors and legal counsel for the Canadian Northern railway, explained the proposed plan of reorganization, which provides for bonds to be issued to the extent of \$4,962,000 at 4 per cent. to take care of the existing debts, and to issue new bonds to meet debts, said new bonds to be guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Canadian Northern Railway Company. The company will, in exchange for each \$1,000 of the outstanding bonds, series A and B, give \$750 principal of the guaranteed bonds of the consolidated issue, with all interest coupons attached. The above plan of reorganization was submitted to the shareholders and unanimously adopted, thus placing the Great Northern railway of Canada on a sound financial footing, and making its future assured.

Mr. Z. A. Lash, general counsel of the Canadian Northern railway, informed the shareholders that they expected within the next two years to have all their lines between the east and west connected, thus completing their transcontinental railway. It is still the intention of reorganization will be completed in the course of two months, when the old bondholders will receive their money and the road pass altogether into the hands of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann and their Toronto associates, who will at once begin the construction of the branch line from Garneau Junction to Quebec in the direction of the new bridge. The old board of directors, composed of the following gentlemen, were re-elected: D. B. Hanna, president; Jas. McNaught, first vice-president; H. H. Melville, second vice-president; E. E. Ling, V. Chateauvert, Hon. Jules Tessier, W. H. Moore, J. A. Nash, F. C. Annesley, Thos. McDougall, John Joyce, Hon. S. N. Parent, ex-officio. This board is, however, only temporarily to assist until the old bonds are in, when the Quebec directors and Col. McNaught and H. H. Melville, first and second vice-presidents under the old management, will disappear and an entirely new board will be elected, with Toronto gentlemen associated with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann in 22 contr-

Riley was revived this afternoon and was transferred to the prison ward of Bellevue hospital, where he is held on a charge of attempted suicide. It is thought he will recover.

According to the coroner's story Riley made the following statement: "Weed and I have been chums since boyhood. We knew each other well and when we became older, we separated, and mostly occasionally. We saw each other but three or four times a year and last Sunday we happened to meet in Boston. We chatted for some time and told each other of the trials we had encountered during the past six months. Both of us had met with bad success and were both what you term down and out."

"Neither of us had anything that gave any promise, and we were downhearted.

"In some manner, how I do not know, our talk drifted to suicide, and one of us proposed, 'How about for gross immoralities and for lewd and lascivious conduct with women?' For reference see the proceedings of the ecclesiastical court before which Rev. Dr. Irvine was tried, in which no record will be found of such charges.

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A Ship Ashore At "Hell's Hole"

Vessel Supposed to Be a Fruit Liner in Bad Plight off Cape Hatteras.

Crew of Twenty-Five in Immortal Danger of Death In the Sea.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 28.—Battered by heavy seas, an unknown steamer lies helpless on the inner Diamond Shoals, 8 miles off Cape Hatteras, bright and faint lights every now to the life-saving crews on shore that there are human souls on board the wreck that cannot be saved until wind and sea have calmed sufficiently to allow the surf boats to be launched.

The observer of the U. S. weather bureau at Hatteras first saw the steamer when the fog lifted shortly before noon today.

At that time she appeared to be in distress and later it was seen that she had grounded on the inner shoal known to mariners at "Hell's Hole" in the graveyard of shipping. High seas earthened the vessel on her beam ends and at 3 p.m. she was lying on her port side with seas washing all over her.

The smoke that her funnel emitted early in the day was no longer discernible, and it was then supposed that her fires had been extinguished by water falling.

The steamer has three masts and one funnel. Her engines and boilers are ast and the funnel is between the main mast and Mizzen mast. Her description is thought that she may be one of the fruit liners that ply between West Indian ports and Baltimore or New York. At 8 o'clock the observer at Hatteras reported that the life-saving crews of several stations along the Carolina coast in the vicinity of Hatteras were on the beach ready to launch their surf boats the minute the wind and tide had abated sufficiently to allow them to do so. At that time the wind had dropped from 40 to 30 miles an hour, but the mercury also was falling steadily and the approach of freezing weather forced the crews to turn back to the steamer. The report states that he set the vessel had apparently sighted herself somewhat and that if the wind and sea did not increase there was a good chance of her remaining intact until morning. If this is the case the prospects are bright for the life-savers being able to reach her.

From the size of the steamer it is thought she carried a consignment of 25 men, but it has been impossible to secure a view that would allow any surmise as to her character being made.

Word from the scene expresses little hope that loss of life can be averted. Several hours today, while on her port beam, the steamer was at times covered by the breakers that piled up on her decks, striking with terrific force. It was with surprise that the life-savers saw the lights on the craft tonight. These appear to those on shore as torchlights and not signals of any regular character.

MRS. RUTHERFORD HURT.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Annie O. Rutherford, President of the Dominion W. C. T. U., fell on the icy pavement yesterday and fractured her left leg below the ankle.

STONE CUTTERS STRIKE.

Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—The stone cutters engaged on the new C. P. R. depot struck today because contractor Lyle started a stone planer. They were guaranteed all the work they could do, but refused to accept it if a partner was put in operation.

BURN THEIR COTTON.

Georgia Farmers Give Unique Demonstration of Practical Patriotism.

FORT GAINES, Ga., Dec. 28.—The farmers and merchants of Clay county met here today and decided to burn their share of two million bales of surplus cotton. A start was made today when a fire was made of cotton on the grounds of Fort Gaines. It is not yet determined where it will stop. The farmers have decided to set the pace and are moving determinedly. A large crowd paraded with cheers and much spectacular commotion. The object is to show that the farmers are ready to sacrifice a few bales for the benefit of the masses. The fire is still burning and excitement is increasing.

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STONECUTTERS ON STRIKE AT WINNIPEG

Object to C. P. R. Hotel Contractor's Use of Planing Machine.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—The anticipated strike of stonecutters on the new C. P. R. hotel materialized yesterday. At 3 o'clock nineteen men on the job walked out, and say that they will not resume work till terms have been agreed to.

The whole trouble arises over a discussion as to whether stone planers may be used in the city. To finish the depot and hotel within the specified time, Peter Lyall & Sons, contractors, have found it necessary to install machinery to help the cutters along. The men seemed to feel that the planers would take work from them and refused to remain in the same yard.

An effort will be made to involve all allied unions, but the action is generally considered ill-advised, as they were guaranteed all the work they could do for a year.

MISSIONARY'S DEATH.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—A cable from Shanghai announces the death from smallpox of Miss Sheldon, a Methodist missionary, who left here last September for the mission school in Shanghai.

PELL INTO OIL TANK.

Barrie, Ont., Dec. 28.—Fred Taylor, an Englishman, a laborer employed on the Grand Trunk railway, fell into an oil tank at Allandale and fractured his skull and died an hour later. He leaves a widow and two small children.

ANOTHER VICTIM.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Another victim has been added to the list of dead as a result of a fire at Perrault lane on Christmas morning by the death of Ida St. George, 19 years of age, who was taken from the burning building so badly burned that there was no hope for her recovery. This is the fifth victim of the fire.

DOG SAVES FAMILY.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 28.—A dog owned by Wm. Walker saved five persons from burning to death today by jumping upon the bed and awakening his master, who was nearly suffocated by smoke. Fire from a stove had spread through the upper part of the house and Walker quickly aroused the rest of the family at once and escaped.

A DISORDERLY SITTING.

Budapest, Dec. 28.—There was a disorderly sitting of the Chamber of Deputies today and Premier Tisza amidst great uproar, announced an adjournment until January 3rd, saying that the house at that time would hear the Emperor's speech dissolving parliament. Shouts were raised of, "The King is breaking his oath," together with denunciations of Premier Tisza as "the curse of an unfortunate dynasty."

Count Andrássy, former premier, predicts that a bloody electoral struggle will follow.

CONDITIONS IN MOROCCO.

Advice Received at Washington Say Situation Is Critical.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Conditions in Morocco apparently have entered on a critical stage, according to cable advice received at the American state department today from Hoffman Philip, the acting American consul at Tangier. After reciting the indefinite postponement of the fish mission, the withdrawal of the French consul and the warning of Mr. Philip added that the foreign ministers, including himself, were awaiting instructions and Mr. Pearce, the third assistant secretary of state, promptly cabled Mr. Philip directions for the event that serious trouble should appear imminent to advise American citizens in Morocco to come into Tangier. The consul-general is directed to observe strict impartiality and to keep the department fully informed.

PREPARING FOR ATTACK.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—It is understood that the Japanese drumming and parading against the eastern section of the main circle of forts around Port Arthur is progressing favorably.

The right wing of the besiegers continue a heavy effective shelling of the new town, preparatory to operations which are nearing completion.

It is probable that the next attack will be simultaneously directed against the east and west faces of the fortress in an endeavor to divide and weaken the resistance of the defenders.

Charge Against Bishop Talbot

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presentment in support of the charge of lying sets forth the following letter:

"Diocese of Central Pennsylvania,
"Bishopric,
"South Bethlehem, Penn., Feb. 5, 1899.
"My Dear Irvine: The woman to whom you refer is by canon excommunicated. I cannot believe she will have the presumption to present herself at the holy communion if you think there is any danger of her doing so. It would be better for you in some kind and gentle way to intimate to her her true condition. Of course, you have no discretion in the matter. If she should present herself before you can speak to her and you can speak to her afterward. There is no reason in this case to make any row if the thing is managed quietly and firmly, with a little common sense. I thank you for what you say on this matter of missions.
"Affectionately yours,
"ETHELBERT TALBOT."

The facts adduced to the charge of lying are as follows:

"Specification.—That Bishop Talbot is guilty of conduct unbecoming a bishop, or breach of his ordination and consecration vows against involving other bishops in controversy by writing untrue things about them."

"That eight bishops have made charges against him (Irvine); that the venerable bishop of Quiney wrote to me upon his death-bed that Irvine had outraged two girls in his city, and Bishop Whittaker, Whitehead, Seymour, Scarbrough, Trotter, Doane, Adams, Taylor and Rev. Dr. Lessingford, and a host of others will hear out all I have said as to his character."

"Therefore, the presenters, in view of the reasons as set forth in the above specifications, do ask that Bishop Talbot be presented for trial before a court of peers."

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 28.—The same dull rising market and the same largely professional share in the dealings were in evidence again on the Stock Exchange today. The stocks which were picked up advances were much less influential on sentiment by their movements than were the high grade standard stocks which were conspicuous yesterday, and which showed evidence of realizing today. This was notably true in N. Y. Central, the strength of which increased confidence into the whole market yesterday. Lower grade industrial stocks came forward into notice today. News was uniformly favorable to values and the extraordinary ease of money afforded means for embarking in successful market commitments. But the dimensions of the day's business is sufficiently convincing that there was no widespread interest in the market. There is a general belief that the lifting of prices is due in some degree to the desire amongst great financial concerns to help out that item in the annual statements which is entitled "market values of securities held."

The interest manifested in the industrials today was stimulated by the color of trade advices especially from all departments of the iron and steel trade. Amalgamated Copper responded to a fresh advance in crude copper and to a revival of the European demand for the metal. Cotton market reflected the growing conviction that large-scale estimates of an unprecedented yield of that crop are warranted, a fact which may have its naturally beneficial effect on stocks modified by the reflected effect of speculative losses in cotton. The market closed quite active and firm.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value \$5,135,000, U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

Local News.

Breathing Easy Again.—After a spell of extra hard work extending over nearly a fortnight, the post-office clerks and the postmen are once more enjoying normal business conditions. There will be a slight resumption of the rush around New Year's Day.

Banquet to Newsboys.—The newsboys of the city will this evening be the guests of the management of the Colonist at dinner to be given in the Poodle Dog restaurant. The affair, now an annual one, is expected to prove very enjoyable.

Orphanage Christmas Tree.—This afternoon from 3 o'clock to 6 the Christmas tree celebration and distribution of presents will take place at the Protestant Orphanage. All friends of the institution are cordially invited to be present and see the little ones made very happy.

Egyptian Darkness.—The accident to the city street lighting plant Tuesday evening left the northern district in darkness that could almost be felt. It is not until such accidents happen that the citizen learns to appreciate the value of the big street lamps at their proper value.

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A Chinese Honeymoon.—Once more last night the time-honored story of Liang Yung and the wife who met in its quaint city was sung by the clever people who sang "The Chinese Honeymoon" at the Victoria theatre. There was a fair audience. The performance was a good one, fully in keeping with that of the previous evening which was so pleasing to the larger audience.

Cinderella Tonight.—The children's Cinderella will be held in Assembly hall tonight. The doors will open at 6 o'clock and at 9:30 the floor will be vacated in order to allow the adults time to dance. The hall looks its best as the decorations for the occasion are very pretty. All contributions should be left at the hall before 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Laid To Rest.—The funeral of the late Mrs. T. F. Littlewood, daughter of Mrs. A. P. Freeman, took place yesterday afternoon from the residence, McClure street. The Rev. Mr. Vachet conducted the services, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Norman, C. Palmer, Thos. Salt and J. Ackerman. A large number attended and many beautiful floral emblems were presented.

Superb Wine—Pither & Leiser, the Yates street merchants, are offering their patrons some special champagne, Mr. Mum's "Extra Dry" and G. H. Mum's Selected Brut Champagnes. After January 2nd, 1905, every club wine merchant will have the new vintage 1898 Extra Dry and Selected Brut on sale. Such a superb quality of wine has never before been offered, and a great revelation awaits every lover of a sparkling wine.

Long Distance Greetings.—One of the handsomest and at the same time interesting season's greetings cards sent out this week is that of the Commercial Cable Company, operated in this district under the direction of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph Company. The card is a postcard showing the message side a map of the world showing the company's far-reaching system of wires: "Twentieth Anniversary, 1884-1904: Two-thirds round the world," and "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, 1904-5. C. P. Ry. Co.'s Telegraph." It is a souvenir that the recipients will treasure.

Enjoyable Dinner.—One of the most enjoyable banquets ever tendered to the guests and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, of the "Coach and Horses" hotel, Esquimalt, took place on Monday evening, Dec. 26th. Christmas dinner was served at 7:30 of which about one hundred and twenty-five ladies and gentlemen partook. During the progress of the meal Scottie girls were entertained upon the bagpipes by a very proficient player which, needless to say, added zest to the appetites, particularly of the natives of Bonnie Scotland who were present. After dinner dinner was indulged in to the strains of most delightful music till early hour in the morning when the jovial party broke up with many thanks and good wishes for the hospitable host and hostess of the well-known hotel.

Madame Melba.—Music lovers in Victoria will be pleased to learn that arrangements have been completed for the week in February in this city. The management of the Victoria Theatre deserve great credit for their enterprise, and there is no reason why they should not receive every possible success from the theatre-goers. It must be understood that to induce an attraction such as Melba to visit a city the size of Victoria, a very substantial guarantee will have to be given. This will be done in the usual form of opening subscription lists. There is no doubt of the support that will be given, but it will be necessary for those desirous of hearing this world-renowned musical queen to come forward and give substantial assistance to those instrumental in making this opportunity a certainty.

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Whaler Orion Sails For Here

Left Dartmouth on Tuesday for This Port — Station Established.

Steamer From Kamchatka Reports Raids on Rookeries by Japanese.

The steam whaler Orion, which was purchased at Christiania, Norway, by a Victoria company, headed by Capt. S. Balcom, the well known sealer, sailed from Dartmouth, England, on Tuesday for this port, according to advices received here by cable. Capt. Rupert Balcom, who was master of the sealing schooner Ola M. Balcom during that schooner's successful sealing cruises off Cape Horn and the South Shetlands, is in charge of the whaler, which is a small vessel. She is 77 feet long, with a beam of 18 feet and a depth of 12 feet 6 inches. The Orion will make many calls for coal during her long cruise to this port, from which she is to be operated in the whaling business, the first steamer to be used in the North Pacific whale fisheries.

Whaling has never been carried on to any extent from Victoria heretofore, although this port has always enjoyed a profitable sealing business; in fact, all the schooners engaged in the North Pacific from this coast are operated from here. The whalers have been operated from San Francisco, to which port most of the ships have been transferred from New Bedford. As long ago as the "fifties" San Francisco had a profitable whaling industry in Bering Sea and the Arctic. The whalers have been operating here, however, less and less neglected until Capt. Balcom and his associates launched their venture.

Capt. Balcom has selected one of several stations to be used in the whaling industry; it is probable that four in all will be ultimately used. That which has been chosen is located at Sechart, where the well known iron whalers are now at Dutch Harbor. The station has been equipped and is now ready to boil any oil that the whaler Orion brings to the station wharves from the North Pacific. It is probable that other stations will be made further north, some on the mainland, to the north of Vancouver Island. Capt. Balcom recently visited Nome to make investigations to this end, but it is not known whether a station will be established at that point.

RAMONA SAILS.

Leaves for Skagway at an Early Hour This Morning.

Steamer Ramona, which is taking the Tongass City's run to Alaska, will sail for Skagway at an early hour this morning. Among her more notable passengers are Hon. W. C. Pennington, the newly appointed Federal judge for the southeastern division of Alaska; Hon. H. M. Lull, private secretary to Judge Gunnison; James M. Shoup, United States marshal for Southeastern Alaska; Dr. L. Kellogg, mayor of Skagway.

John Gunnison succeeds Melville O. Brown, resigned. His headquarters will be at Juneau.

MAY QUIT SERVICE.

Pacific Mail Company May Withdraw From Panama Run.

The Pacific Mail Company may abandon its Panama service. R. P. Schwerin, chief representative of the Harriman interests in the Pacific Coast, has returned to San Francisco from New York, where he has been conferring with Harriman about the Pacific Mail's exclusive traffic contract with the Panama railroad and the likelihood of that contract being terminated by the government. He says now that the government owns the road.

"I do not know what action the government may or will take in the matter," said Schwerin. "I do know, though, that the Pacific Mail will be forced to withdraw its Panama line if another shipper should come along and outbid the present traffic agreement. The Pacific Mail cannot fight the government, and would not pretend to do so."

If the contract is terminated, the Pacific Mail would find the business under competition too strenuous such as to force it to withdraw. It cannot help itself. Our most profitable business on the Panama route is between Central America and Europe. The Chilean Steamship Company would get this. So we would lose the main bulk of the Panama route's traffic. The Koomak line of steamers is already competing with the Pacific Mail on traffic between this city and Mexico and Central American points. True, we would have left through shipments between New York and San Francisco, but that business is inconsequential so far as profits are concerned."

FOR SHANGHAI.

Steamer Tacoma Loading Cargo for Far East.

Steamer Tacoma of the Northwest Commercial Company has commenced loading cargo for the Orient, presumably for Russian agents. The Tacoma's freight is coming in on every train. She will be tendered every ton she can carry. All of it is consigned to Shanghai.

Concerning the persistent reports as to the Tacoma and other vessels in the Orient trade carrying goods contraband of war, John Rose, manager of the owning company, said:

"These are natural, but we care nothing about them. Shipping is open and a free port. We have a perfect right to run our vessel there and have no fear of being molested by her Japan or Russia. The Tacoma's cargo's all consigned to Shanghai. We will clear for that port and go there."

Nothing further regarding the charter of the company's steamer Olympia, developed however, she will doubtless be taken by the two parties as have the Tacoma under charter, and for the same trade, as soon as the latter is loaded.

BLOCKADE RUNNING.

Vessel Which Cleared for Portland at Vladivostok.

Many a tale of adventure is being told of cargo ships which have become blockade runners. This is to tell of the steamer Ellany, which cleared for Portland from Manila, but never crossed the Pacific. She has safely run the gauntlet of Japanese patrol boats and landed 4,000 tons of Welsh coal at Vladivostok. As

A derelict, floating bottom up, in the South Atlantic, was sighted by the Kosmos liner Neko, which has arrived at San Francisco en route to Puget Sound from Hamburg. The identity of the wreck is unknown, as the officers who sighted the upturned hull were unable to distinguish any marks by which the vessel could be identified.

Captain Rickmann, of the Neko, relates that he sighted the derelict in latitude 48°30' south, longitude 048°48' west, on October 12th, when two days out from Punta Arenas.

"The derelict is a menace to navigation," said Captain Rickmann, "as she is directly in the path of steamers that ply around the Horn. The vessel was seen in the early morning, and at first it was thought that the object was a whale lying on the surface of the sea. With marine glasses we were able to discern that the object was the hull of some vessel. The portion above water was about fifty feet in length and was painted a dull color."

There is much speculation locally as to the identity of the derelict. It is thought that the vessel may be one of the overdues that have lately been posted as missing.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Neko, which has arrived at San Francisco from Hamburg reports that she was in Callao, Peru, in British shipping with nitrate caught fire while the Neko was in the harbor. With the assistance of the crew of the

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THE ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

The Nelson Daily News had the Vancouver World speak appreciatively of the Assessment Commission appointed by the Provincial Government. The News regrets that a mining man was not placed upon the Commission, but has no doubt that evidence in regard to the two per cent tax will be heard. The scope of the Commission, as we understand it, will not include an investigation into various systems, such as were undertaken by the Ontario Government, but will be confined principally to ascertaining to what extent the burdens imposed under the present Assessment Act bear inequitably upon the various interests affected. There cannot be any relief from the taxation the Province as a whole has to bear, as a certain sum of money is required each year to meet existing liabilities and to carry on the administration of affairs, including necessary public works. No amount of ingenuity can evade the responsibilities of the Province in these essential respects, and, therefore, the public must not look to the Commission to recommend impossibilities. It will hear evidence as to the operations of the Act as at present enforced, will consider carefully all grievances that have arisen out of the same, and report fully. The scope of the Commission will be the widest possible within the limits indicated, and evidence submitted either orally or in writing will be received. The Minister of Finance is anxious that nothing in the way of material evidence shall be overlooked. Those, therefore, who have suggestions or grievances for consideration should lose no time in presenting their case for submission to the Commission.

OF PASSING INTEREST.

An important indication of the change of feeling in France toward Great Britain was noted in connection with the schoolboy demonstrations in Paris for the purpose of protesting against the disparagement of Joan of Arc by one of their professors. There was no trace of any feeling towards England. Says a correspondent of the London Times, "When King Edward came to Paris I purposely went to see the statue of Joan of Arc in the Rue de Rivoli to make sure that the occasion had not been taken advantage of to make any floral manifestation of an anti-English character, such, for instance, as has now become permanent against Germany at the statue of Strassburg on the Place de la Concorde. Not a wreath or a flower had been deposited there." The correspondent in question observes very many other indications of the dying out of the spirit of Anglophobia which two or three years ago was rampant in the French capital and throughout France. In fact, it is said that the English are the most popular strangers who now visit France, next, at all events, to the Russians. Our readers will remember how, not longer than three or four years ago, the French papers were filled with the vilest caricatures, which were also prominently displayed in the shop windows everywhere, of the English. So gross were some of the representations of royalty that they became the subject of diplomatic protest. Even at the date of King Edward's coronation there were many evidences of that bitter feeling in Paris. The sequel admirably illustrates the mercurial character of the French people. Such a complete and rapid change could hardly have been anticipated by any one. Much of it is due, it is said, to the good offices of King Edward himself, who is king of the corps of British diplomats.

Count Von Buslow, the Imperial Chancellor of Germany, has a naive, as well as a very striking, manner of presenting his views on any subject. In connection with the debate on the estimates he defended attacks of the Socialist leader on account of having given an interview to an English newspaper on Anglo-German relations on the ground that a number of writers had been using the press in order to sow tares in the Anglo-German fields. In politics, he remarked, it was impossible to wait until the Divine Gardner had separated the tares from the wheat. One had to bear a hand oneself and to do the often uncongenial work of the weeder. His views as to the probability of war between Germany and Great Britain are most excellently compressed into this paragraph: "I cannot conceive that the idea of an Anglo-German war should be seriously entertained by sensible people in either country. They will coolly consider the enormous damage which even the most successful war of this character would work upon their own country, and when they reckon it out it will be found that the stake is much too high in view of the certain loss. For this reason, gentlemen, I, for my part, do not take the hostility of a section of the English press too tragically. I hope that the destinies of the two countries will always be determined by those cool heads who know that the best advantage of Germany and England will be served not only for the present, but for all future time—so far as it is discernible to the human eye—by the maintenance of the present peaceful relations. As to the cost of the Army and Navy, he said if the nation could afford to spend three millions of marks (150,000,000) upon intoxicating liquors, it could quite well afford to spend 1,200 millions of marks (\$60,000,000) for the purposes of defence. The Count probably failed, however, to take into account the fact that the German people might object to paying for both. Considering their fondness for their beer, it might be unreasonable to expect them to bear additional imposts for an army and navy.

Some of the providers of political patronage in support of the Ross campaign in Ontario are furnishing remarkable evidences of the nature of the work he has performed for his native Province during the past six years. They are many, but include, in particular, the following:

Number of pounds of cheese produced in Ontario	165,306,573
Number of pounds of butter	10,812,126
Acres of crown lands under lease	100,000,000
Number of persons who attended meetings of Farmers' Institutes	126,352
Area of clay belt in acres	10,004,000
Capital invested in farm lands, buildings etc	\$1,050,822,055

Next to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, with the help of Providence, gave us prosperity in Canada, Premier Ross may be regarded as the greatest benefactor of his time. Even the most ardent admirers of Sir Wilfrid would scarce attribute to him in his large sphere of usefulness the production of such enormous direct and substantial results as are accredited to this lesser satellite. The statesman who can by his united efforts produce 165,000,000 pounds of cheese, 11,000,000 pounds of butter, and dispose of 100,000,000 acres of lands to settlers, cause 126,000 farmers to attend meetings, be responsible for the deposition of 16,000,000 acres of good clay in place and hand a million dollars odd over the counter for farm implements, buildings, lands, etc., deserves a monument as high as the tower of Babel at the hands of his fellowmen. In fact, such brilliant constructive abilities would indicate for the Premier of Ontario a much higher place in the industrial than he has attained in the political world—one to which even John P. Morgan or Rockefeller would in vain aspire. While these latter gentlemen are able to create a lot of water in stock proposition, their creative abilities never reached anything nearly so solid as good, retentive clay.

"So far as we can reason from statistics we must all die," sagely remarks the San Francisco Argonaut; but it objects to paying the final debt to nature before the time is reasonably up. This is a comment on the general tendency to dangerous adulteration in commercial circles. Among these are enumerated: "Wood alcohol in our whiskey, aniline dye in our jelly, bogus drugs in our prescriptions, sulphuric acid in our white wines, borax in our pate de foie gras, sulphate of lead in our mustard, hydrochloric acid in our vinegar, caustic lime in our pie crust, oxide of iron in our chocolate, copper in our butter." Medical science is doing its best to pursue the hosts of bacteria, at the root of disease, to their last hiding place, and, on the other hand, commerce is doing its best, in friendly guise, to counteract the efforts of the scientist. This is the terrible record attained in one exposure of methods: Out of one hundred and thirty-nine decoy prescriptions sent by the State Board of Pharmacy to Chicago druggists to be filled, twenty-three contained no trace of the drug called for, sixty-six were eighty per cent impure, ten were twenty-five per cent impure, nine ten per cent impure, and only thirty-one were pure. For a surgical dressing, much used in every hospital in the land, it was found that the druggist often substituted a mineral concoction so deadly a poison as to bring death from a comparatively insignificant wound. But the worst results are flowing from the adulterations of spirits which contain wood or methyl alcohol. These are either death or permanent blindness. Adds the Argonaut in righteous indignation: "Dante redivivus would add another circle to hell and populate it with dishonest manufacturers."

We have received from the Ontario Bureau of Industries a report of the crops of Ontario for the year 1904, based on actual returns from over 2,000 correspondents. Compared with 1903 there has been a decline in yields in almost every kind of crop, though the general average over a term of 23 years has been fairly well maintained. A noticeable feature of the crop returns of Ontario is the small average yield as compared with similar returns in Great Britain or in British Columbia. Fall wheat, for instance, has an average yield of 15.1 bushels for 1904, and 20.3 for a term of 23 years. For other crops the yields are, respectively: Spring wheat, 15.4 and 15.7; barley, 31.8 and 27.1; oats, 38.5 and 35.8; peas, 19.5 and 19.5; beans, 17.9 and 17.1; rye, 15.3 and 16.3; buckwheat, 20.5 and 19.5; potatoes, 11.2 bush and 11.5; carrots, 30.5 bush, and 34.8; turnips, 48.7 and 43.4; corn in the ear, 61.4 and 70.2 bush; corn for silo, 10.48 tons and 11.41 tons; hay and clover, 1.80 and 1.45. Of course, these figures represent an average of good lands and poor lands extending over a very large area and under many different conditions. The results, however, do not seem to be as satisfactory as they should be, and indicate over-cropping and imperfect cultivation. The area of cleared land devoted to pasture is 3,183,673 acres, an increase of 126,397 over 1903. Rape, rales, 49,219 acres; hops, 2,252 acres; flax, 6,313 acres; orchard and small gardens, 369,495 acres; and vineyards, 14,357 acres. The yield of apples is placed at 49,687,423 bush, from 71,103,566 tons of bearing age, or 639 per tree, against 615 in 1903 and 678 in 1902. Of tobacco Essex and Kent had 2,715 acres yielding 3,035,070 pounds, while only 318 acres were reported in the rest of the Province. Live stock reported a large industry in Ontario, with 655,555 horses; 2,675,000 cattle; 1,455,500 sheep; 1,988,000 swine; and 9,42,700 head of poultry. The numbers have not materially increased in five years, notwithstanding the greater prosperity enjoyed by the farmers. A good many more were slaughtered and sold in 1904 than in 1903, which may account for the apparent lack of increase noted.

A correspondent writes to express his surprise and "contempt" for the methods of the Liberal newspapers in dealing with the McBride administration. The frequent reference to it as "weak and incompetent" especially excites his wrath. "Evidently," he says, "they would like to see a government over the Bay composed of men of the calibre of Geo. Riley and William Templer. These are the wise, learned, broad-minded and eloquent statesmen who come up to their ideal. Compared with these McBride, Tatlow, Wilson, Green, Cotton and Fulton are but mere pygmies, weak and incompetent?" How strange it is, our correspondent remarks, "though that the people of Victoria never estimated Mr. Templer at the same high rate as his own organiza-

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And so much good in the worst of us,
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Among the Christmas numbers of papers that have come to the editor's table are those of the Breeder and Sportsman, of San Francisco, and the Fine Arts Journal of Chicago. The former presents to its readers as a supplement a very finely colored engraving of Sweet Marie, the California mare that made the record for 1904 by trotting in 20.43. It is interesting throughout. The latter journal is devoted to original articles, with illustrations, relating to Oregon, which include a frontispiece, "Mount Hood," "The Art of Oregon," in six parts, and "Oregon in Literature."

The experience of the firm so far has been most encouraging, and they are going on improving. In regard to profit-sharing the pamphlet states that it has been tried in a few departments and the success has been gratifying. Under the firm's system the principle is carried so far as possible. In the box-making department an average of nearly twenty per cent on the weekly wages has been earned by every one in the department, and in other departments it has ranged from 14 to 25 per cent. The firm is proceeding on the motto to which all can cheerfully subscribe that "work should be the spontaneous expression of a man's best impulses." If the firm in question gets any free advertising out of this reference it is because they are entitled to it for setting an example to the industrial world, the success of which should cause it to be emulated everywhere. There is a number of large industries now adopting such methods, though few have carried them to the extent to which the Warrington people seem to have done.

One of the best bon mots of the season is contributed by the Yonkers Statesman. "I have had a very successful season," said the prosperous theatrical manager to a less fortunate and somewhat steady-looking rival. "Well, you can thank your stars for that," was the reply.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CITY COUNCIL AND THE NAVY.

Sir—In the notice of proceedings at the last meeting of the City Council, appearing in your issue of yesterday morning, I observe that my letter enclosing a copy of a memorandum addressed to the Governor-General in Council, relative to the removal of H. M. Fleet from the Pacific station, met with a silent fate. I suggested that as referred to a question concerning theizens of Victoria should feel an especial interest—dollars and cents certainly being involved, if even the people could not be moved to view the matter from the great and important standpoint of national import, and that for some consideration of the momentous issues thereby involved, at the same time that the Mayor might with propriety call a public meeting so that the voice of the citizens might be heard and their resolutions go forth to influence the possible incorporation of something of the naval protection of the ever-growing trade of this part of the Empire.

The council have determined that even were a petition signed by every adult person in Victoria, it would have no effect; in fact, it is considered to be "the height of folly" to attempt to do so.

It is suggested that the Mayor might, if he so desired, call a public meeting to have the management of our city affairs in the hands of men of dignity, experience and character, whose words may have weight in the councils of our Empire. The Lord Mayor of London is a man of noble birth and noble aspirations, men of ability and good sense, always amenable to reason. Sir John Fisher's ideas in marking the changes are no doubt actuated by the motive for the best service and protection for the British Empire as a whole, but it is quite possible that he may have overlooked certain points, namely, that he notice, would meet with some measure of modification in the plans of the future.

With the above in mind, I desire to have my views known to the public, and to have them considered, and to have a "day home supply." Yes, let me seek to

have the management of our city affairs in the hands of men of dignity, experience and character, whose words may have weight in the councils of our Empire.

JOHN PEIRSON.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Annual Ball—The annual ball of the Native Sons will be held on Friday, Feb. 10th.

Leap Year Ball—The Leap Year ball to be given by the Victoria Dancing Club will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall.

No Rehearsal—The amateur orchestra will not have a rehearsal in the Y. M. C. A. hall this week.

Victoria Bank Clearings—For the week ending December 27th, the total clearings at the Victoria Clearing House amounted to the sum of \$441,185.

Pretty Wedding—A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Centennial parsonage yesterday, when Rev. P. J. Westman united in marriage Mr. Samuel Frederick Racine of Seattle, and Miss Marguerite Inez Collins, also of Seattle.

Marconi Wireless—All persons who have purchased Marconi wireless stock through H. G. Robinson, can obtain delivery of their certificates by applying personally at the office of S. Gintzburger, 163 Cordova street. Further applications for stock should be made at once.—From Vancouver Province.

Opening of Tenders—At the office of J. H. Webster, Vancouver, general engineer of the western division of the C. P. R., the tenders for the new hotel will be opened today. Several local contractors and some of the large firms of the east are competing. The hotel will be eight stories, and it is to be Haddington Island stone, finished in rock faced stone. The work must be done 'v' May, 1906.

Open House—On New Year's Day, open house will be kept by the Y. M. C. A. The rooms will be decorated and the arrangements are as follows: 2 to 3 o'clock, exhibition in the ladies' auxiliary, and the board of directors; 3 to 6, reception by the ladies' auxiliary; 6 to 8, gymnasium class under Musical Director Waddington, bag-piping by O. Margeson; 7:30 to 9, musical programme; 9 to 10, exhibition of tumbling in gymnasium (leader, L. Oliver). There will also be games and music. The friends of the Y. M. C. A. are invited to attend.

A Great Improvement—Making bread in the Universal Bread Mixer is a great improvement over the old way. Put in one quart of yeast and water and three quarts of flour, turn the crank for three minutes, put cover on tight, set the mixer in warm place. In morning turn the crank a few times, then take out dough and bake it. Universal Mixers, \$3.00 and \$3.75 at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 59 Douglas street.

In their advertisement elsewhere in this paper Shorlock & Horne, the feed merchants, 93 Johnson street, advise the purchasing public to one thing, and that is, "The best is not too good for your animals. Your work horse will give best results when fed on the best feed; your milch cow and your hens will give you best returns when treated to the best." And the best and most reliable is always to be had at their store, 93 Johnson street.

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SPORTING NEWS

THE KING.

Hill vs. Stubert. The 20-round boxing contest between Collie Hill, of Victoria, and Young Stubert, of Tacoma, will take place at the Savoy theatre to-morrow evening. It will be an international affair, which will add much interest to the occasion, for it has faithfully promised that he will not apply his "cut-up" tactics, but will box openly. He has adhered to the covering up tactics to the has-beens, and if he does not satisfy the audience with his work, he has agreed that his share of the box receipts shall be donated to any institution in the city. Both men have been training hard, and they will be in the best possible condition to-morrow night. Young Stubert will arrive this afternoon from Tacoma, accompanied by his trainer. The men will step into the ring weighing 120 pounds, and as there is a ring weighing 120 pounds, a first class bout is assured. Hill is a clever boxer, and he has a swing which, if landed on the proper place, will play havoc with his opponent. Stubert is reported to be a game little fighter and a good ring general. Followers of the pugilistic art are looking forward to the contest with great eagerness and a packed house is expected. A splendid performance will be given before the big event commencing at 8:30. There will be live music to follow the intermission, and vaudeville turns. The men will enter the ring promptly at 10:30 and any one wishing to spend a thoroughly enjoyable evening should visit the Savoy theatre tomorrow night and take in the complete programme.

Another Candidate.

Another candidate for lightweight championship honors has come forward. He is Jabez White, the lightweight champion of England, who has challenged Jimmy Britt to fight for the championship of the world. Previous to his battle with Nelson, Young Corbett had been matched against White in America. The battle would not prove a good drawing card now, as Charlie Mitchell, formerly the English heavyweight champion, who looks after White's interests, is trying to arrange for a twenty-round bout between White and Britt. It is hoped that satisfactory arrangements will be made. Britt cannot claim the lightweight championship of the world if he does not consent to meet the English boy. The battle being an international affair would cause great interest on both sides of the water, and it should take place in a neutral city and not in San Francisco, where Britt always wants to fight.

Clark vs. Augustine.

Bert Clark will meet Harry Augustine again, the contest having been set for early in the new year. A lively bout is anticipated as both men are clever boxers and hard hitters.

Gotech vs. Jeffries.

Frank Gotech, the champion wrestler of America, has announced his intention of entering the ring and challenging Jim Jeffries for the heavyweight championship of the world.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Juniors Training. The Victoria juniors are training hard for their return match with the Vancouver juniors, which will be played at Oak Bay on Monday, Jan. 2nd. The boys are taking nightly runs, and every member of the team is requested to continue the good work all this week.

Dance For Visitors.

The juniors will give a dance in honor of the Vancouver juniors on the night of Jan. 2nd. It will take place in the A. O. U. W. hall, and a thoroughly enjoyable time is anticipated.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Saturday's Game.

The great attraction for next Saturday at Oak Bay is the Association football match between the Garrison and Victoria United elevens. This is the last scheduled game in the City League series between the two clubs, but if the Victoria United win it will give them a lead over the Garrison of 12 points to 10. Then, if the soldiers defeat Victoria West, they will tie the United team, and another game will have to be played to decide which eleven is to be the cup and medals.

Saturday's match will be the fourth this season between these two aggregations, the Garrison having one game to their credit and two draws being the result of the remaining games. It would be a hard matter to take the men individually, of each team and draw conclusions, but the Garrison certainly have the advantage of daily practices, which the Victoria United men cannot avail themselves of. The Victoria United eleven have certainly been improving in both combination and individual work during the past month, and with the addition of new members at full back, with Captain Gowen, they should without doubt prove a formidable eleven.

With the score from the above that E. A. Gallopp won the competition and prize, with P. R. Which less than an average of 2 points behind him.

Next Tuesday night the club handicap tournament will commence, and all who intend playing should make their entries with the chairman of the committee, Mr. P. R. Which, on or before that date.

HOCKEY.

Gam at Ladysmith. Lady Smith, Dec. 26.—(Special)—Playing with ten men against a full team today, the Ladysmith hockey boys, eight of whom were under fifteen years of age, T. Winsby and F. Tongue being old players, held the Nanaimo hockey team down so close that the latter team were only able to score two goals, though they claimed four, which were unfairly given them by the referee, the first one of these two goals was off-side, and the second being scored from a kick.

The game was fast from the start. Such a magnificent defence was sustained by the Ladysmith full back that their opponents were only able to score one goal in the first half hour, which was all the time the game was on the forward line. The home defence did little to do. Machin, the Ladysmith full back, was unable to be present, which greatly weakened the visitors. Morrison was unable to get there in time, and consequently the visitors half strength had to be shown that position and carried forward also.

Nanaimo experienced some difficulty in penetrating the Ladysmith backs, and only after fifteen minutes' play gained their object. Peacock, Calderhead and McKinnon did good work for Nanaimo, as also did Wilson and Haslam at home, while H. Hartfield had to do his best. A return game will be played soon.

Appended is the standing of the clubs:

	Pld.	Lost.	Won.	Drd.	Pts.
Garrison	7	4	1	2	10
Victoria United	7	4	2	2	10
Victoria West	8	0	8	0	0

St. Louis College vs. High School.

The following team will represent St. Louis College in the match at Oak Bay against the High school on Saturday afternoon:

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MARXINE ELLIOTT.

Maxine Elliott, in the successful Clyde Fitch comedy "Her Own Way," will appear at the Victoria theatre tomorrow evening. The coming of Miss Elliott in this entertaining comedy, which enjoyed the prestige of a run at four different New York theatres in succession, is one of the important events of the season, and office indications are that Miss Elliott's engagement will be notably successful.

"Her Own Way" is a story of modern life, and the characters are all representative American types, quiet and straightforward in their lives. The atmosphere and treatment are distinctly American, and the scenes in the children's nursery, with its Miss Lampard, romps with the children, play blind man's buff, and hide-and-seek, are typical of reality. Georgiana Carley, the heroine, is loved by both men, but she early shows her preference for Dick. In a delicious comedy scene which takes place in a children's nursery, with this Miss Lampard romping with the children, play blind man's buff, and hide-and-seek, are typical of reality. Georgiana Carley, the heroine, is loved by both men, but she early shows her preference for Dick. In a delicious comedy scene which takes place in a children's nursery, with this Miss Lampard romping with the children, play blind man's buff, and hide-and-seek, are typical of reality. 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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Dec. 28—8 p.m.

The pressure is low over British Columbia and Western Oregon and Washington, but the storm of yesterday is apparently moving eastward across the Pacific. It has fallen on Vancouver Island and the lower Mainland southward to Roseberg, Oregon, and snow is falling at Barkerville and on the high lands of the American inter-mountain region. It has been warmer today west of the Cascades, but the pressure is still low. Nowhere is the pressure flat giving way at all points in advance of the storm area, which is moving in from this province, and temperatures have greatly moderated.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, ...	44	50
New Westminster, ...	38	46
Kamloops, ...	30	38
Barkerville, ...	22	34
Calgary, Alta., ...	29	40
Winnipeg, Man., ...	20	26
Portland, Ore., ...	30	42
San Francisco, Cal., ...	46	54

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) yesterday:

Wind: West winds; variable and moderate to fresh in force; unsettled and milder, with rain.

Lower Mainland: Easterly winds; unsettled, with rain or sleet.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 3 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28.

Deg. 45 Mean 47

Noon 48 Highest 50

5 p.m. 48 Lowest 44

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. 36 miles southeast.

Noon 12 miles southeast.

5 p.m. 12 miles east.

Average state of weather—Stormy.

Rain—29 mm.

Sunshine—48 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Corrected 29.530

Corrected 29.503

PASSENGERS.

Passenger by steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle, A. L. Thomas, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McIver, H. Zimmerman, T. Nelson, Dr. Griffiths, Mrs. Griffiths, L. J. Rosevear, Mrs. H. Greenfelder, Emily Maynard and two children, G. H. Hardie, Geo. Campbell, J. J. Skinner, R. B. Hill, J. G. Cox, R. Fleming, Mrs. M. Hebert, Anna Herbert, C. P. Reid, Miss M. Chambers, G. W. Phillips & H. H. Johnson, Solicitor, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, British Columbia.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected 29.60

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., December, 1904.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

DEPT. DAY TIME HEIGHT TIME HEIGHT TIME HEIGHT

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4 226 0.4 5 45 5.8 11 14 8.2 19 34 2.1

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The tide used is Pacific standard for the 1000 meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Esquimalt (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Denison.

For time of high water add 15 minutes to high water at Victoria.

NOTICE.

Re Foreshore for Fishing Purposes.

NOTICE is hereby given that the time for receiving tenders for leases of foreshore for salmon fishing purposes is extended up to and including Wednesday, 1st February, 1905.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works,
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 22nd December, 1904. 423

NOTICE.

Tenders For Foreshore For
Fishing Purposes.

Peter Curran Dunleavy, Deceased.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to and including Thursday, 29th December, instant, from any person who may desire to obtain a lease of foreshore for salmon fishing purposes.

Further information can be obtained at the office of Mr. R. J. Skinner, Vancouver, and at the office of Mr. D. Robson, New Westminster. The competition will be in the amount of cash bonus tendered. Each tender must state the No. of the site desired and the date upon which the said executrix will be accompanied by a certified cheque, made payable to the undersigned, to cover the amount of the first year's rental (\$100) and the amount of bonus tendered. Cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works,
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 6th December, 1904. 423

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

IN THE MATTER of an Application for a duplicate Certificate of Title to all the Estate of John Bennett in Subdivision 4, Lot 6, Block "B," Finlayson Estate, Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of December, 1904.

JOHN BOYCE LINTON & POOLEY,
21 Broad Street, Victoria, B. C., Solleitors for the said Executrix, Jane Elizabeth Dunleavy.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, to make a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to all the Estate of John Bennett in Subdivision 4, Lot 6, Block "B," Finlayson Estate, Victoria, B. C., to James Stuckey, ALFRED WOOD.

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ASSESSMENT COMMISSION**Deputations and Argument Will Begin to Flood Victoria About Ten Days Hence.**

The first sitting of the commission appointed under the provincial government to investigate the practical working of the British Columbia Assessment Act, with a view to suggesting improvements in the general public interest, will be held in this city on or about the 10th of January proximo, and it is expected that ten days or a fortnight at the most will be required for the hearing of representations against the alleged inequitable workings of the act. The commissioners, men of wide experience and with financial and business methods and necessities, Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton, the President of the Council, having made this a special study during many years' identification with British Columbia's politics and business interests. Mr. D. R. Ker, as head of the Brackman & Ker Milling Company, is understood to have been one of the most energetic in protest against the act, as working injustice to special interests as at present constituted. Mr. Buntzen, as general manager of the electric railway systems of the British Columbia coast cities, was a well and accurately knowledge of British Columbia conditions, added to his previous thorough grasp of the subject of political economy. Hon. Mr. Tatlow, as Minister of Finance, is expected to be selected by the commission itself for the chairmanship.

It was with considerable difficulty that these gentlemen were induced to act upon the board, their time in every instance being taken up by their own extensive business affairs. Their analysis of the arguments placed before them is expected to be of the greatest value to the government and the house in improving the taxation plan with a view to making it (if it be not that already) bear equitably upon each interest and

TRAVEL IN YUKON.

Reported as Good and Mails are Being Delivered on Time.

Advices have been received from Skagway to the effect that the mail is running on time from Log Cabin to interior points. Outer Lake, on the Atlin route, is closed, as is also Taku Arm, all save a stretch of four miles of open water at Golden Gate. The trail to Atlin is reported a splendid trail and no difficulties are making good progress. So far the parties of the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company have been called into requisition but three or four times this year, while during the months of November and December last year they were out almost every day on the mountain divide between Skagway and White Horse.

CIVIC ELECTIONS.

Practically No Public Interest Taken In This Year's Contest.

Despite the fact that the most momentous issues with which the City of Victoria has ever had to deal in its long history are now confronting the people of the city, Colonial reporter learned yesterday that the subject of the civic elections is about the surest topic that can be selected to see the man addressed yawn his head half off. Nobody outside the persons immediately concerned—and this does not mean the ordinary rate-payer who should be more concerned than anybody—but the prospective candidates, seems to care the proverbial brass farthing who is elected or who is not. In fact, it is impossible to get the average citizen interested in the issue. At the same time the election will probably develop into a fierce struggle between the opposing forces. Undoubtedly the principal note of interest at present is the public apathy; there is not much time left in which to awaken a more becoming sentiment among the people.

Another murder for which this man is blamed the Indians tell of as follows: One day he went to his house and told his wife, inviting a man, a cripple, to dinner in the village. She did not like to have her go out, and when she was out he killed the cripple. He wrapped up the victim's body in a blanket, carried it into the woods, where he dismembered the body and put the pieces in an Indian basket. He was met by some tribesmen when carrying this basket to the water, and they asked him what he had in the basket. He replied: "Some pups I am going to drown." He then took the basket out in his canoe and dropped it overboard. The father of the murderer missed him and made an investigation, finding the blood on the murderer's house. He was subsequently arrested, but little evidence could be secured against him and he and the witnesses brought down were released. They returned to Quatsino in canoes and some including the murderer, later shipped in a sealing schooner when drunk. Shortly after he was shipped as a hunter on the ill-fated Pioneer, which never returned from her voyage to Robson Sea.

The Indians of Koskemoo and Quatsino all hold that his loss is due to the fact that she carried the murderer in her crew.

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Indian Murderer**Who Killed Many**

Klemintanoo of Nawltle Is Charged With Having Slain Four Victims

Killed With Robbery as His Motive—Similar Crimes At Quatsino.

Tom Klemintanoo, the Blundel harbor Indian who is charged with the murder of an Indian woman at Nawltle, is alleged to have committed no less than four murders within the last four years, with all the object of robbing his victims, sometimes of small amounts. His last murder, that for which he was committed at Alert Bay to stand his trial at the next assizes, was a cold-blooded one. There was a potlatch at Nawltle, the village on Hope island, and while at this feast Tom heard that Susan, an Indian woman, had a roll of bank bills sewed in her skirt. He decided to kill the woman. Another Indian, who is charged with being an accomplice, was asked to join him, and the woman was enticed into the woods at the back of her lodge, in which she lived with a blind woman, who has given evidence of how the murderer enticed her to her death. Susan was knocked over the head, and her throat cut from ear to ear. The body was left in the bush, with a blanket thrown over it.

A reas was given in the evening by Schmitz, the chief, and it was noticed that Tom, his accomplice and the woman who was not present, although they had been invited. Not to answer such an invitation is to insult the host, and the absence caused talk in the tribe. Later the woman was visited, and searchers started to scour the neighborhood, carrying torches and lanterns. The search was unsuccessful that night. Next morning the search was continued and Tom, who was among the searchers led them to the body. This was the first act which caused suspicion, for the Indians noticed that the body was not visible from where Tom said he could see it. Later a number of the young men were made to strip, so that it might be seen if there were scratches on Tom, the marks of the woman's nails. He asked some Indians to say that his klootchow had made them, but she and the others denied this.

When it was shown that suspicion pointed to Tom, the chief Schmitz called the Indians together and in a speech asked all not to speak of the thing that had been done, as he did not want the authorities to know. He also offered money to some. For thus seeking to hide the crime, the chief was arrested, and is now serving a sentence of nine months in the penitentiary. Provincial Constable Woolcott went from Alert Bay and arrested Tom and his accomplice, and found the victim's body, which was brought to Alert Bay for inquest and buried.

The murderer's first victim was a white man whom he killed in 1900. He was hunting near Blundel harbor when he saw an unarmed white man in an open boat. Another Indian was with him and to him he said: "Now promise that you won't tell anything about what I'm going to do." The Indian said he would not, and the two went ashore to where the white man was frying bacon over a fire at a camp made where he had just landed. Tom fired a shot at him as his back was turned, and when the unfortunate man turned the Indian fired again, and the body fell into the fire. With the aid of the other Indian he took the body, weighted it with a stone and put it in the sea. The white man turned around to give the impression that the man had been drowned. From this victim Tom got eighty dollars and some provisions and camp gear.

Later Tom killed a trapper named Sam Beales at Seymour inlet. He came upon the trapper, who was unarmed and shot him. This murder was also committed with robbery as the motive. Eslika, or old Simon, a dwarf, was his next victim. He struck him down behind, robbed him and disposed of the body in the sea, as he done when he killed his first victim. After his arrest Tom sent messages warning the Indians that he would kill any who gave evidence against him. When some were captured and brought by the police at Alert Bay, Tom could hear their telling their story from his cell and he started to sing a "medicine song"—a chant peculiar to the coast Indians. At the end of every part of the chant he included the phrase: "If you tell on me, I'll come back and kill you." But this did not prevent the witnesses telling their story—and the crown has a good case against the murderer.

These murders of Klemintanoo are similar to some murders which took place near Quatsino about ten years ago, the murderer in that case having been one of those lost when the sealing schooner Pioneer went down; in fact, the Indians all believed that the fact of his having been lost had caused the reason to be lost. This man was a Konekoeno Indian. He had bought a new rifle in Victoria, and on his return saw an old woman digging potatoes on a small islet near Coal Island. He shot her, as he afterward said, just to try his rifle. He dragged her body to the narrows and putting a stone about the neck sank it in the Quatsino narrows. Then he went seal hunting, and after killing two or three seals returned home and no one learned of the murder for some time.

The Indians of Quatsino also tell of other murders he committed. After killing the Indian woman he one day entered a cabin, in which William Bones, an old man, who tended the coal company of the defunct coal company, lived with an Indian woman. The murderer walked into the cabin, rifle in hand, and shot down the old man without warning. Then he killed the woman. He looted the place, but did not get much. Then he killed the woman. He looted the place, but did not get much. Then he got some powder belonging to the coal company, put it in the house and set fire to the place. The explosion scattered the remains of his victims and the house, and for a time the Indians believed the tragedy resulted from an accident.

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On the afternoon of December 28th, he was tried at Alert Bay, and was sentenced to life imprisonment. The trial was adjourned until January 1st, when he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

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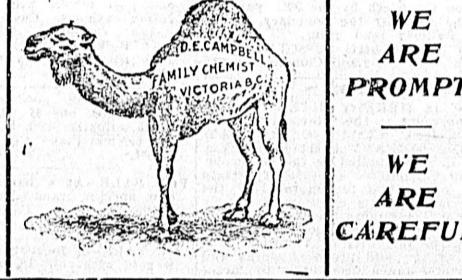
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